

United States Assay Office,

BOISE CITY, IDAHO,

July 2^d, 1887.

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I would therefore request that you request Mr Eckfeldt of the Philadelphia Mint to have made and forwarded to me a complete parting apparatus for the simultaneous assaying of eight gold deposits.

I take this course in preference to ordering directly myself as Mr Eckfeldt being on the spot can probably get a better and cheaper apparatus than I could from this distance.

With the limited appropriation for the year this will be a heavy expense but we assayed last year over 900 deposits and there is every promise of from 1200 to 1500 this year which with our small force it will be impossible to handle safely without the best apparatus.

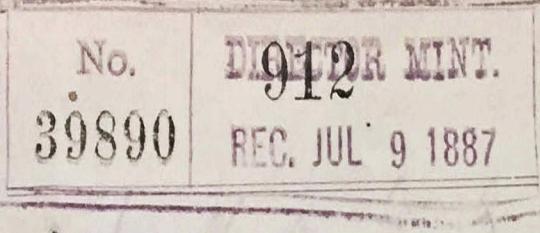
Very Respectfully
W H Tracy

Assayer in Charge

Hon Jas D. Kimball:

Director of the mint.

Washington D.C.



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July 2, 1887.

H. F. WILD,

Assayer.

Requesting the
purchase of a
Platinum parting
apparatus

Treasury Department,
Bureau of the Mint,
July 11. 1887.

Respectfully referred
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No. of Enclosures, 1887



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